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BY FACSIMILE (212-805-7911)

Honorable John F. Keenan
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Jesus Sanchez, et al
07 Cr. 856 (JFK)

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JUDGE KEENAN'S CHAMBERS

Dear Judge Keenan:

The Government respectfully submits this letter, after speaking with Your Honor's clerk, to request jointly with the defense an adjournment of the pre-trial conference currently scheduled for August 14, 2008 at 10:30 a.m., to a date convenient for the Court after the second week in September, 2008.

The Government requests, with the consent of defense counsel, that the time between now and the new conference date, be excluded from the speedy trial calendar based on a finding that the ends of justice served by the continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A). The parties will use the time to review discovery, and to continue discussions of a possible pre-trial disposition of the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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